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AMENDMENT LETTER, SUGGESTION FOR INTERFERENCE UNDER 37 CFR
§41.202(a), AND SHOWING UNDER 37 CFR §41.202(d)

Dear Examiner Hoey:

This is a response to the Office Action dated March 7, 2005

in connection with the above-identified patent application. The

named inventor Judy-Lynne Alley hereby wishes to suggest an interference and to submit evidence to demonstrate that she is *prima facie* entitled to a judgment relative to the patentee based on priority of invention. Applicant notes that the suggestion of the interference and the copying of claims from the cited reference U.S. Pat. No. 6,766,536 issued to Martha I. Aarons ("Aarons patent") into the subject patent application are hereby made within one year of the publication date of the Aarons patent. In compliance with 37 CFR 41.204(d), a proper showing of priority has been made herein by the attached declaration of the Applicant and the attached corroborating documentary evidence. The declaration and the documentary evidence not only remove the Aarons patent from the prior art, but they collectively *prima facie* entitle the Applicant to judgment on priority with respect to the effective filing date of the patent.